

**"We were at the beach. Everybody had matching towels. Somebody went under a dock.  
And there they saw a rock. It wasn't a rock. It was a rock lobster. Rock Lobster!"**

# CLOWN SOUP

*"THE BEACH EPISODE"*





## Letter from the editor

Omg hey! How's it going? Everything okay? That's good to hear. Grab your swimsuit and get ready for the beach episode of Clown Soup!

My new favorite thing is to call something a beach episode when you go to the beach with someone. So pack your bag and get ready for this month's beach episode. We're halfway done with the summer so if you haven't already, go have your beach episode. There's still a couple tv show casts I have yet to make a guest appearance for their beach episode. Okay, I'll can it with adding beach episode at the end of every sentence.....beach episode.

If I'm being honest with you guys, it's getting kind of hard to keep up with Clown Soup deadlines. We all have things to do in our lives. That doesn't necessarily mean we will stop making art, we all have to make art to survive, Clown Soup is literally made out of artists. It's just not everyone has the time to make and give art specifically to Clown Soup each month. People have other important things to worry about like rent and work and family and travel and bare minimum surviving in this corrupt capitalist world. I too have things in my life that get in the way, so Clown Soup hasn't been on my priority list as of late.

I will say this though, an artist never stops being an artist. Despite our lack of energy, the act of creation keeps us going. No matter how long it takes for the soup to broil there is always fresh ingredients being prepared for the sake of Clown Soup. We hope you enjoy this month's publication with the theme "The beach episode" that is merely just a guide for inspiration.

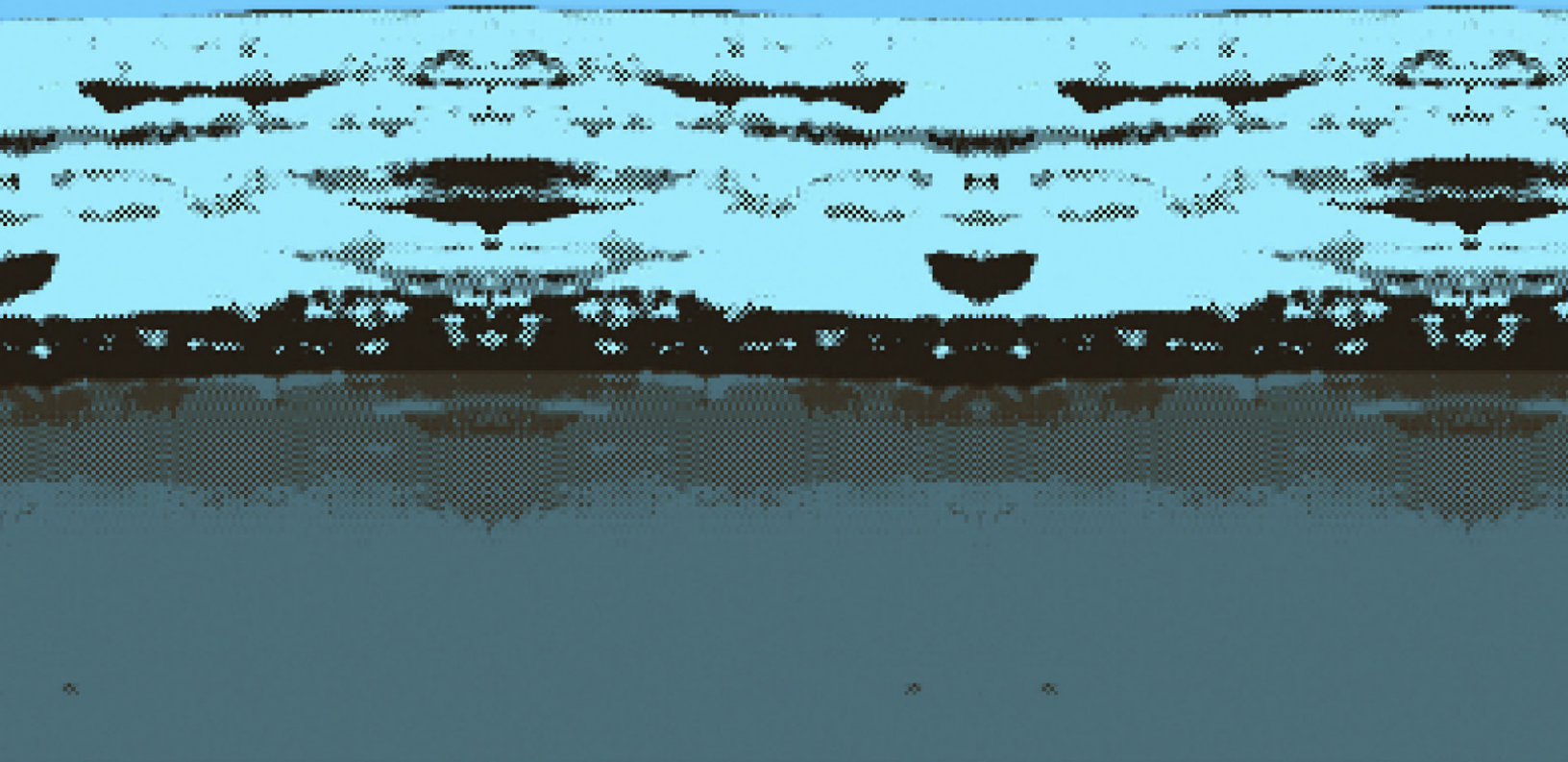
See! Even in months of leisure and supposed relaxation, we push through to keep Clown Soup alive. I am immensely proud of the Clown Soup group to be able to deliver each month. <3

-Emma EP (creator)



CAST:

Emma EP, Amaya, Francis,  
Gabby Amatulli, Cai Artz, Luke  
the Duke, Gabriel, Phil H,  
Mikaila McClinton-Thibault, Dani,  
Malinalli Guerra-Cruz, Megan  
Ciarleglio, & Maggie

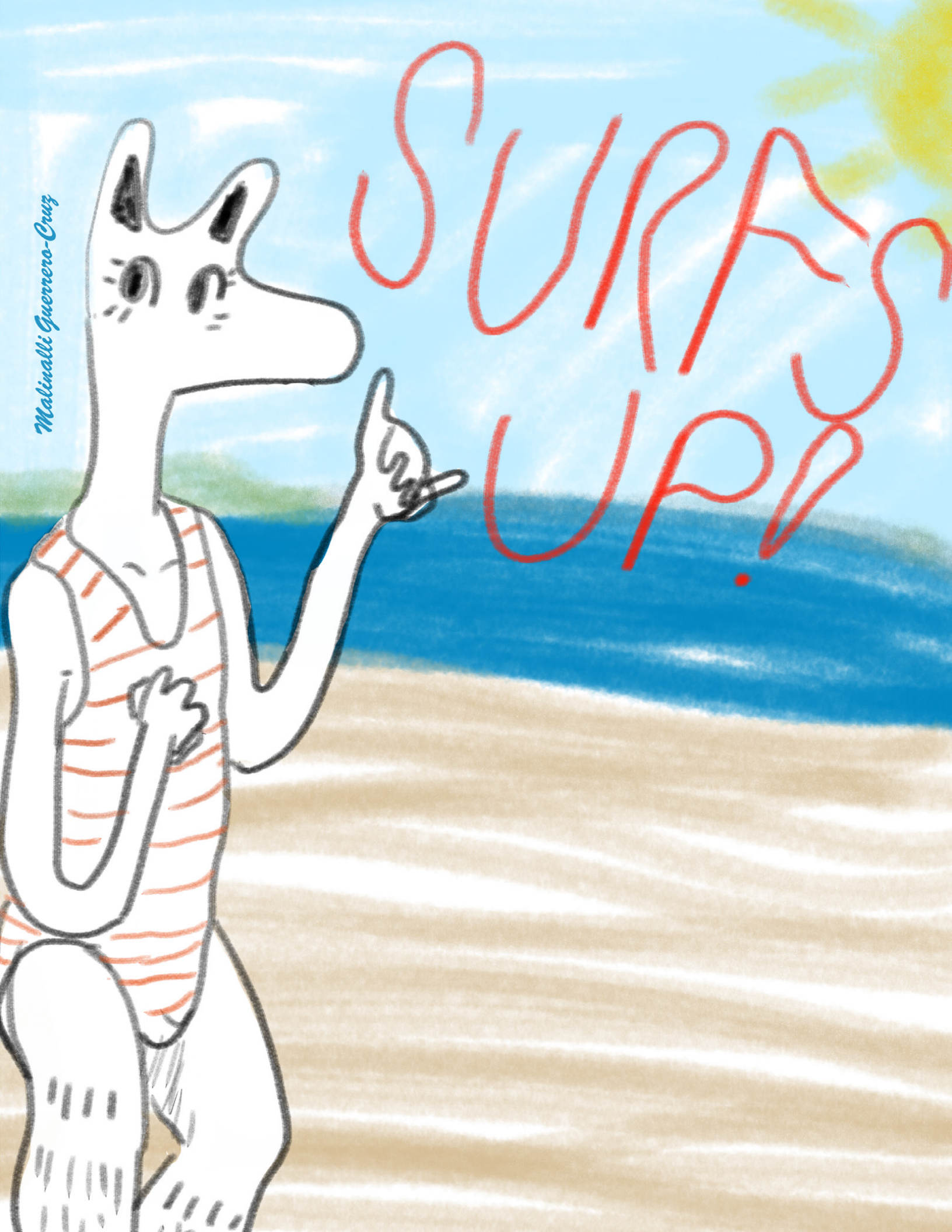






Gabby  
7/19/23







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Gothic Fool









"ribcage"

emma ep

I lay in my bed as I stare out the Venetian blinds  
my skin is melting off its bones  
seconds feather by as my meat melds within the sheets  
I've gotten blood clots in the mesh of my favorite blanket  
my eyes adjust to the shadowy lines  
I start to pick at my ribs  
"she loves me, she loves me not, she loves me, she loves me not"  
my body disappears into the bed  
birds pass by to see if there's any veins left to pluck at  
the sun sets and the stripes fade to black  
spent all of now pulling at my chest  
I wander into the morning light following the sun for an answer  
all that is left of me are the bolts in my spine  
the sparrows gingerly hand me a wrench  
I've sunken into the dirt beneath my floorboards  
"she loves me, she loves me not, she loves me..."







Frame I'm in the process of reworking with shells I found and other treasure



The wacky wednesday fit, yes I did go into the pool with the hat on

emma ep





The July chalkboard design I did at my job

emma ep





"just another chill day at the job"

KILL  
EVERYONE  
NOW



"insert single eye emoji here"



Gothic Fool





GAUSS  
AMATEUR



## January

Started off with a strong start with routine and interests. I had a daily schedule: listen to rocksteady music, starbucks, walk on the boardwalk, open the pool, practice thai hermit yoga, edit clown soup, teach, eat, sleep.

## February

I think around this time I started therapy, so that was a key moment this month. February went by fast and was a pretty good month.

## March

I think this might've been my worst month mentally despite going to therapy. Mainly because of feeling extremely drained out from work, and having it affect my life. Most of my spendings went to therapy, alcohol, and eating out. I felt mainly trapped this month in my routines and cycles. That there was no energy to progress my life

## April

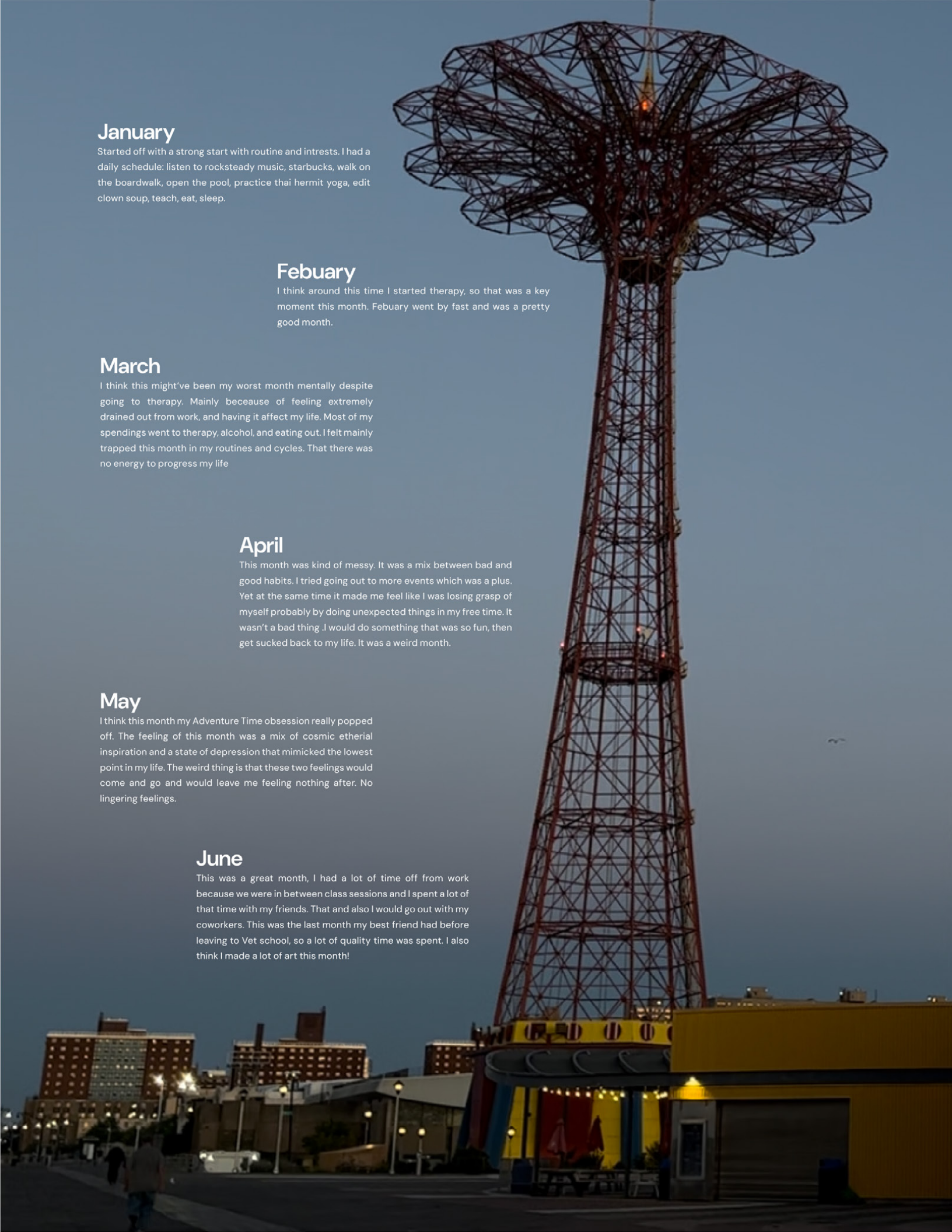
This month was kind of messy. It was a mix between bad and good habits. I tried going out to more events which was a plus. Yet at the same time it made me feel like I was losing grasp of myself probably by doing unexpected things in my free time. It wasn't a bad thing. I would do something that was so fun, then get sucked back to my life. It was a weird month.

## May

I think this month my Adventure Time obsession really popped off. The feeling of this month was a mix of cosmic etherial inspiration and a state of depression that mimicked the lowest point in my life. The weird thing is that these two feelings would come and go and would leave me feeling nothing after. No lingering feelings.

## June

This was a great month, I had a lot of time off from work because we were in between class sessions and I spent a lot of that time with my friends. That and also I would go out with my coworkers. This was the last month my best friend had before leaving to Vet school, so a lot of quality time was spent. I also think I made a lot of art this month!





## MONTHLY RECAP EMMA EP

### July

Half of this month was spent off the grid at an artist residency. July went by fast but while I was in the middle of the woods time slowed down and I got to make art in an amazing environment and sit with feelings I haven't had the chance to sit down with. This was a very spritual and mindful month. I think I fully let go of my self, let the universe guide me, and try not to feel anxiety and rather destiny instead. That sounds very hippy, granola, cis white boy takes acid once and discovers empathy but It's hard to describe. Time feels weird. I feel weird. Everyday is an adventure. I am taking risks. Accepting failure. Imagining myself in a lot of people's shoes. Actively trying to get my adult life together. Saying yes to everything. I think I am almost there. Who knows. I've been looking for a break through for about 3 years.



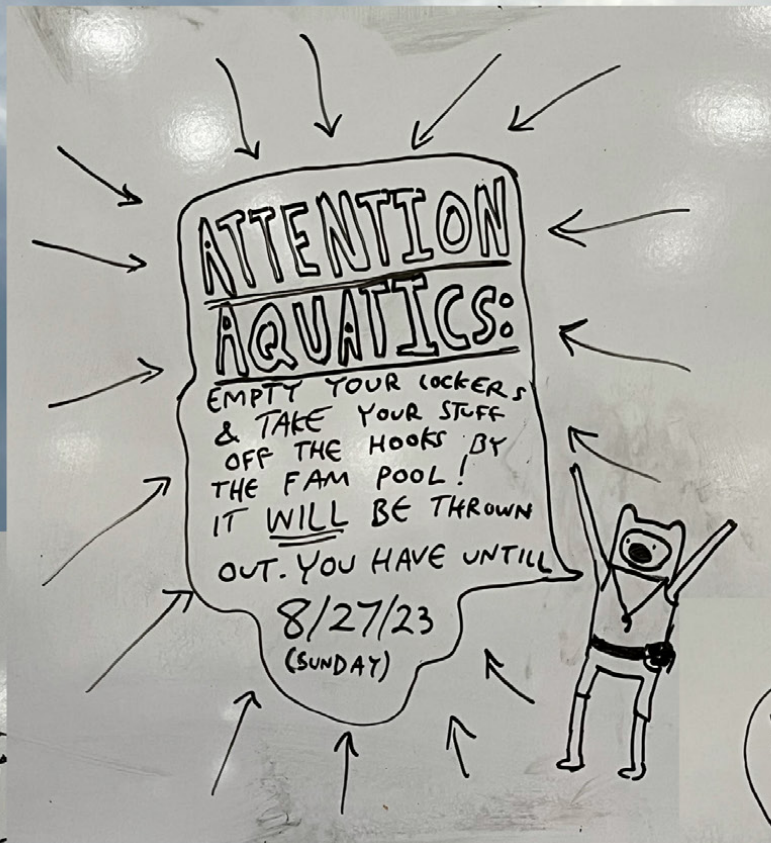


The day I kayaked to the yellow submarine at coney island creek

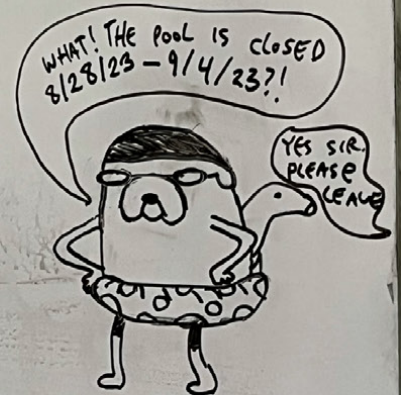
emma ep







Drawings I  
made at work



CHICKEN  
AIRPLANE  
SOLDIER



# LIFEGUARD APPRICIATION DAY!

7/31

\*NO SWIMMERS WERE HARMED DURING THIS TIME



\*THE PROFESSIONAL LIFEGUARD PHOTO

LIFEGUARD /  
SWIM INSTRUCTOR /  
DECK SUPERVISOR /  
CAMP AQUATICS DIRECTOR /  
LIFEGUARD SUPERVISOR



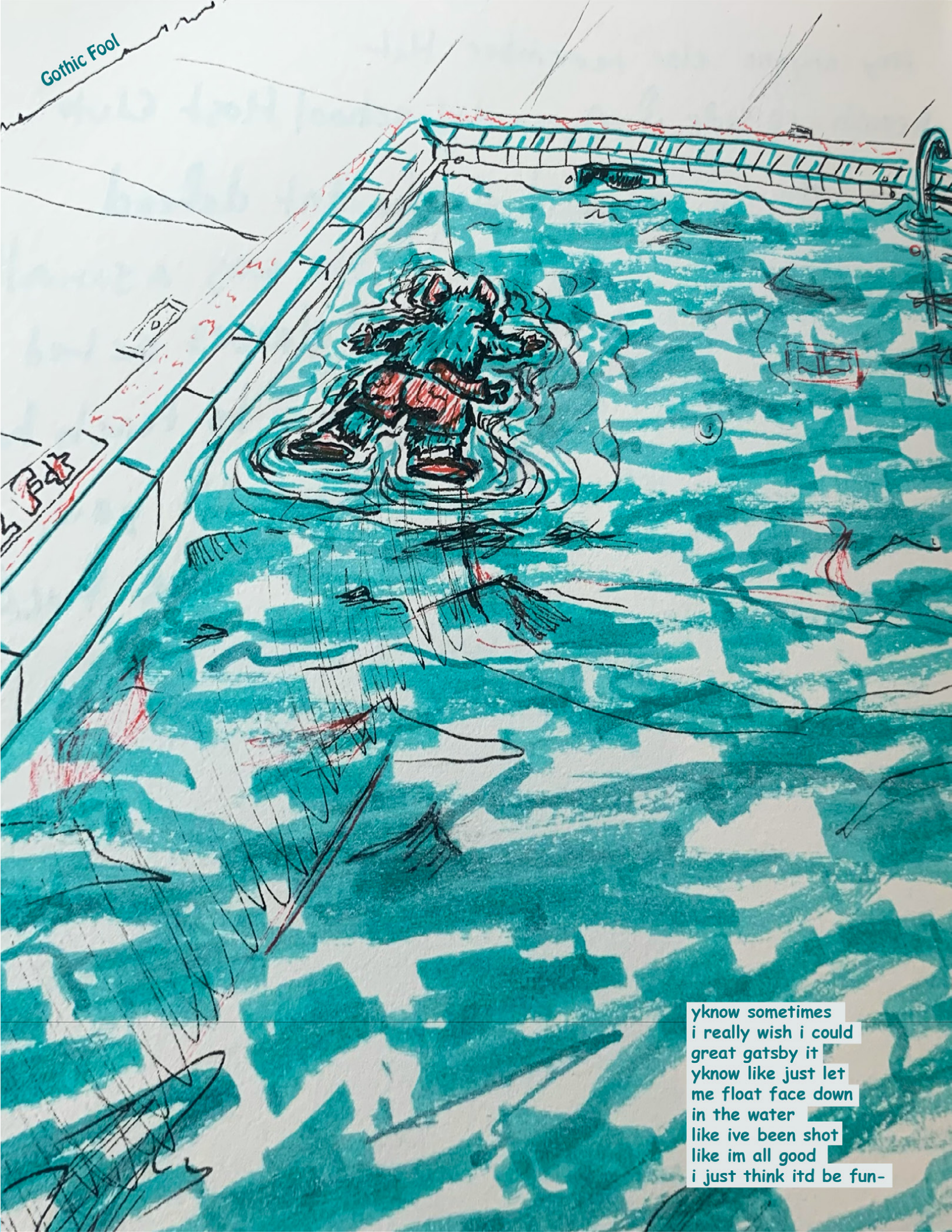
APPRICIATE ME!  
YOUR PERSONAL CLOWN SOUP LIFEGUARD

\*THERE WAS AN ON DUTY LIFEGUARD ON  
THE DECK SO PEOPLE WERE SAFE BECAUSE  
I WAS LOOKING AT THE CAMERA.





Gothic Fool



yknow sometimes  
i really wish i could  
great gatsby it  
yknow like just let  
me float face down  
in the water  
like ive been shot  
like im all good  
i just think itd be fun-

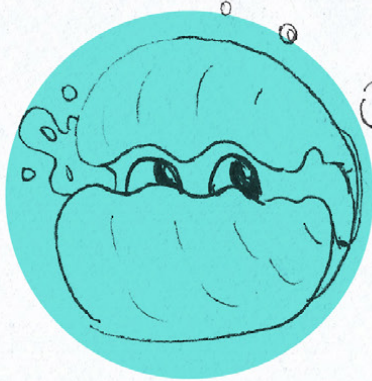


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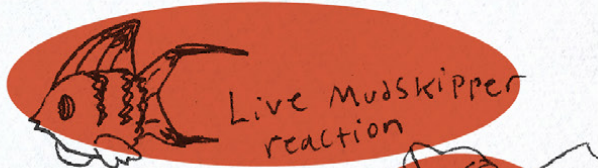


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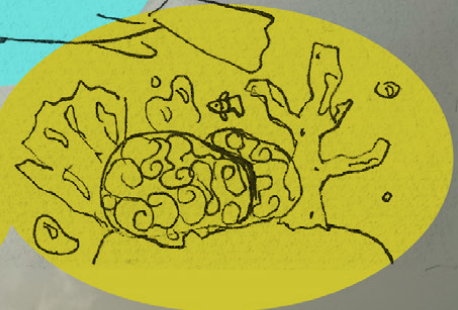
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Down  
the  
stairs



Live Mudskipper  
reaction



I am  
a  
tube  
worm



Gothic Fool

rat clown summer





Megan Charleslio





**\*The day I got paid to drown at different YMCAs for Mary's  
Aquatics Drills to simulate a passive victim and the  
lifeguards having to treat it like it is a real rescue:P**





Gothic Fool  
"iykyk"

AUTISM

Be DAMNED

MY BOY (?)

CAN WORK

A

GRILL





GABBY  
AMATEUR







**THE  
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